

HARDWARE & SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS FOR CM/ECF

- A personal computer running a standard platform such as Windows or Macintosh.
- An Internet connection. A connection speed of at least 56kps is recommended.
- Netscape Navigator versions 4.6, 4.7, 7.02 -or- Internet Explorer versions 5.5 or 6.
(Please be advised that future releases of CM/ECF will only support Netscape Navigator 7.02 or higher -or- Internet Explorer 6.0 or higher. If you have not already upgraded, it is advisable to do so to maintain continued compatibility with CM/ECF)
- PDF writer software to convert documents from a word processor format to portable document format (PDF):
 - Adobe Acrobat Writer Versions 3.x - 6.x adequately meet the CM/ECF filing requirements. Version 6.0 is available from retailers for approximately \$220-\$250.
 - PDFfactory (Approximately \$50.00) from Fineprint Software (**www.fineprint.com**) may also be used for PDF document creation.
 - For viewing documents, not authoring them, Adobe Acrobat Reader (Free download from **www.adobe.com**) only is needed.
- A PDF compatible word processor like Macintosh or Windows based versions of WordPerfect and Word.
- A scanner to transmit documents that are not in your word processing system. A flatbed scanner may be useful for capturing non-standard sized documents and exhibits. For more information regarding PDF document creation and scanning, the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts has prepared a paper entitled "Creating PDF Documents" which may be accessed via the following link (Adobe Acrobat Reader is needed to view this document):

<http://pacer.psc.uscourts.gov/documents/imagingWPprint.pdf>

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